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| Filed: March 9, 2000  | Group Art Unit: 3628   |
| For: BILLING METHOD FOR COMMUNICATION NETWORK   |  |
| REQUEST FOR CONTINUE  | D EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)                                       |
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| Applicant requests continued examina  | ation under 37 CFR § 1.114.  |
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